LONG TERM PAVEMENT PERFORMANCE PROGRAM DIRECTIVE



For the Technical Direction of the LTPP Program



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Subject: Coring of Overlaid LTPP Test Sections

When coring overlaid or rehabilitated LTPP test sections (sections that have completed their initial performance period in the LTPP studies), it is preferable that a full-depth core be obtained of all bound layers including bound base, original surface and overlay layers. This will facilitate layer thickness measurements of all the layers (especially important in mill and overlay operations) and produce original surface specimens for asphalt resilient modulus testing that may not have been available after the first round of drilling and sampling.

At this time, materials sampling and laboratory materials testing (for testing other than resilient modulus) of overlaid sections is generally the responsibility of participating agency forces (see October 30, 1998 memorandum on this subject).

This information shall be communicated to all appropriate parties (i.e. State/Provincial participants) before July 1, 1999. Questions concerning this directive should be addressed to Aramis Lopez, FHWA LTPP Operations Team Leader.

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